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**REQUEST
For
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Application Number ~~10/782,086~~ 10/782,096

Filing Date February 19, 2004

First Named Inventor: Carozzi et al.

Art Unit: 1638

Examiner Name: Anne R. Kubelik

Confirmation No.: 5854

Attorney Docket No. 045600/274148

This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114** Note: if the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on

- ii. ☐ Other

- b. ☒ Enclosed

- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

- ii. ☐ Affidavits(s)/Declarations(s)

- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS); of cites listed on PTO Form 1449

- iv. ☐ Other

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ___ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other

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3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiencies, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
(\$790.00 large entity; \$395.00 small entity)

ii. ☐ Extension of Time Fee (37 C.F. R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other

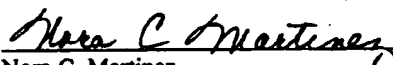
b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$395.00 enclosed

Respectfully submitted,



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| <p>Customer No. 00826 ALSTON & BIRD LLP Bank of America Plaza 101 South Tryon Street, Suite 4000 Charlotte, NC 28280-4000 Tel Raleigh Office (919) 862-2200 Fax Raleigh Office (919) 862-2260</p> | <p><u>CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING</u> "Express Mail" mailing label number EV913518031US Date of Deposit November 14, 2006 I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  Nora C. Martinez</p> |
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